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Ms. Dorcas R. Hardy, Chair
White House Conference on Aging
4350 East West Highway, Third Floor
Bethesda, MD 20814

Dear Ms. Hardy;

I am pleased to respond to your March 15 request to provide input to the White House Conference on Aging final report. In Kansas, we are diligently working to uphold our responsibility to our seniors, particularly when it comes to affordable, quality health care.

At my request, Kathy Greenlee, Acting Secretary of the Kansas Department on Aging, convened the Kansas delegation to the Kansas White House Conference on Aging to review the national Top 10 Resolutions. The delegation evaluated the resolutions and selected those which are most relevant to Kansans.

Kansas seniors deserve quality health care at a reasonable price, and they deserve to be protected when their needs require long-term care services. That's why we're forming partnerships with providers and advocates to ensure older Kansans are healthy, protected and able to enjoy their later years. Toward that end, we submit the following brief summary of the 2005 WHCoA resolutions which impact the Kansas aging network and the actions that are either planned or currently underway to address our goals.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer the Kansas perspective to the White House Conference on Aging final report. Secretary Greenlee and I, along with the KDOA staff and our statewide network of organizations that serve senior Kansans, consider the needs of older adults to be one of our highest priorities. We appreciate the help of our partners at the federal level in meeting those needs.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Sebelius
Governor